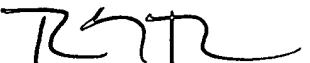


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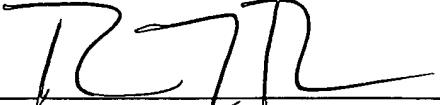
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A check in the amount of \$1374.00 is enclosed, \$55.00 of which covers the fee for the one-month extension of time.

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